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# **Brothers are nominated for movie award**

TWO brothers from Southend have directed a film that was nominated for an award at an international film festival.

Wayne Lennox and his brother Lee were shortlisted for Best UK Feature at the Raindance Festival for their movie

Festival for their movie
AmStarDam.
It is the first feature film that
the pair have directed and
Wayne told the Yellow Advertiser that he was thrilled to be nominated, although the film did not win the award.

He said: "Just to get nominated is a massive thing for any film-maker. To be up for Best British movie was fantastic."

The film's premiere took place in Piccadilly Circus last Wednesday, and was attended by music stars such as Newton Faulkner and Lee Ryan.

Talking about the film's story, Wayne said: "It is about a boy who goes over to Amsterdam to find his dad who works in a feel to it and is just full of heart.

The 39-year-old has always lived in the borough, with both brothers originally from Shoebury, and is proud of his

They used South Essex College students as extras in the movie, and gave students the opportunity to carry out work experience on set.

The brothers have also directed a number of top music artists including Ellie Goulding and Kasabian.

Wayne revealed that he would still do some pop videos in the

He said: "I have always been directing and making videos

for many, many years.
"I am very good friends with some artists and if I am free, I will certainly try and direct something with them.

"But I want to concentrate on films now. You cannot be a Jack of all trades in this industry.'



# COLLEGE HAS 'ACTION PI

#### By Michael Cox

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A REPORT into standards at South Essex College has found that the quality of its student learning opportunities "requires improve-

Reviewers from the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) visited the college in May and published a report on standards and quality.

They judged that the quality and enhancement of the college's stu-

dent learning opportunities require improvement to meet UK expectations

But the reviewers judged that the academic standards of the awards that the college offers on behalf of degree-awarding bodies and other awarding organisations, and the quality of the information about its learning opportunities, meet UK expectations.

The review report also identified integrated student support as a feature of good practice at the college.

The college's principal and chief

executive Angela O'Donoghue said: "What is clear, if the report is read in full, is that the student experience is excellent here at South Essex College and students should have no concerns over the quality or standards of their higher education courses.

"Of the 19 expectations judged by QAA, the college meets 15, with the development of students' academic, personal and professional potential highlighted as an area of good practice.
"The college welcomes QAA's

findings and has published a detailed action plan that focuses on continuous improvement of its existing good practice, addressing the recommendations made by the review team, as well as suggestions that could be taken forward."

She did admit that some aspects need "further development."

One of the recommendations that the report makes to the college is to take deliberate steps to engage all students in the assurance and enhancement of their educational

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# Council extends ban on car cruise meets

#### **By Michael Cox**

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SOUTHEND Council has secured an injunction banning unauthorised car cruise events and 'unsanctioned meets' in the borough.

The injunction obtained from the High Court forbids any car cruise events anywhere in the borough until September 28 next year, and follows an injunction obtained from the High Court in September 2015 for one year.

The council sought the injunction 'Southend Takeover' event was planned for Sunday October 2.

A council spokesman said that the event had been organised without any communication with the council or its emergency service partners

Cllr Mark Flewitt, executive councillor for public protection, said: Despite stating clearly last year that the council was happy to welcome organised car meets in Southend, it is disappointing that the organisers of this event have chosen to ignore this, bypass the official channels and organise an unauthorised event and leave us with no choice but to seek a further injunction.

"They have had over a year to talk to

us and work with us to draw up plans to ensure a well-managed and safe event but have chosen not to do that.

"These events, organised via social media, bypass the established procedure for holding public events, which involves plans being drawn up and reviewed by the local authority and emergency services. This process ensures events are safely managed, appropriately resourced and considers how noise, litter and other potential nuisances can be managed.'

Cllr Flewitt also urged organisers to talk to the council about holding properly organised and managed events

Southend inspector Bill Potter said: "We welcome transparent events which are well planned and properly managed.

"Southend BID recently organised a successful Italian festival where a number of high-powered vehicles paraded through the town; this is the type of event we welcome so public safety is maintained."

For further guidance from the council's events team, call 01702 215011 or visit www.southend.gov.uk.

#### A multi-agency operation was in place for the 'Southend Takeover' event to enforce the injunction.

● An EVENT in Leigh is set to try to raise funds for animal charities. Dogtober 2 will take place at The Ship pub on Saturday October 15, and will feature two floors of live

The charity will be raising

awareness of homeless problems in Southend and offering advice. For more information, visit www.southendymca.org.uk

music by local musicians. It is happening for the second year running, after £800 was raised

last year for the Dogs Trust. The charities being supported this year are All Animal Rescue and Rehoming, and the Baan Unrak

Animal Sanctuary.
The event will last from 7pm until 1am and entry will be free, but there will be the chance for donations and a raffle on the night.

 BLOOD test clinics at Southend Hospital are to have a major overhaul.

From Tuesday November 1, blood test clinics at the venue will be by appointment only, with walk-in facilities no longer available.

Phlebotomy manager Omotoyosi Matti said: "We introduced the online appointment booking system at Southend last October and it's proved popular. More than 700 patients book their blood test appointment in advance every day. "Moving our blood test clinics to

appointment only will help us provide a more efficient service for our patients, which in turn will significantly reduce waiting times."

Appointments can be made online by visiting a dedicated blood tests page on the hospital website: www.southend.nhs.uk/for-patientsvisitors/blood-tests

Patients can book a blood test over the phone on one of the new telephone numbers, 01702 746509, 01702 746510 and 01702 746511. These numbers will be available Monday to Friday, 7.30am-5.00pm (excluding UK public holidays).



#### The sounds of the Thames

THIS year's Estuary Festival ended at the weekend with a musical celebration on Southend Pier

The Sound of the Thames Delta took place Saturday and Sunday, October 1-2, and featured discussions, live music and a photographic exhibition by Iain McKell.

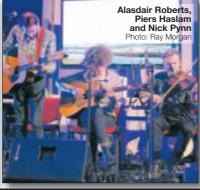
The focus of the programme was the relationship between place and music

which brought together musicians, writers, artists, film-makers and broad-

Presented by arts charity Metal, the festival ran across 16 days and celebrated the Thames Estuary and its bordering communities.

Planning is already underway for the next Estuary Festival, which will take place in 2018.





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# Officials seize 'illegal' booze and tobacco in major coup

CUSTOMS officials have appealed for information on tobacco and alcohol sales in Southend after allegedly uncovering 17,500 illegal cigarettes in eight shops.

Officers from HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC), along with support from Southend Council trading standards officers and Essex Police, visited 10 retail premises and one residential address on Wednesday, September 28.

The visits led to suspected illegal

tobacco and alcohol products being seized from eight business outlets and the home property.

Among the items seized were 17,580 cigarettes, 10.8 kilos of hand-rolling tobacco, 72.4 litres of spirits and 64.9 litres of beer.

A van was also seized, along with 2,200 litres of suspected illicit fuel, as part of the day's action.

One 43-year-old woman, from Southend, was arrested by HMRC during the operation on suspicion of the

fraudulent evasion of excise duty. She has been bailed until January 2017.

Brett Wilkinson, assistant director, fraud investigation service, HMRC, said: "The sale of illegal tobacco and alcohol will not be tolerated by us or

our partner agencies.
"Tax fraud is not acceptable and we will tackle it head on. We are levelling the playing field for legitimate local businesses who cannot compete with their criminal competitors.

"We encourage anyone with infor-

mation about the illegal sale of tobacco to contact the Customs Hotline on 0800 59 5000."

Cllr Mark Flewitt, executive councillor for housing, planning and public protection services at Southend Council, said: "Southend trading standards is committed to tackling the trade in illicit and counterfeit tobacco, from receiving and analysing intelligence to conducting inspections and raids on premises where this illegal trade is taking place."

# The Forum attracts 1.75 million people

people have visited The Forum in Southend since it opened three years ago, according to Southend Council.

A council spokesman said that the building, a partner-ship between Southend ship between Southend Council, the University of Essex and South Essex College, was developed after "all three pooled resources to jointly provide the coun-try's first wholly integrated public, university and college library designed for the internet age"



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More than one million items have been borrowed over the three years, with

visitors attending exhibitions and events. Since The Forum opened, 70,000 logins in the University's learning hub, and South Essex College students have borrowed more than 40,000 books.

Cllr Ann Holland, executive councillor for culture, said: "The partners are immensely proud of The Forum Southend's resounding success. As well as being an attractive asset for the town and the student community, it has drawn visitors from around the world, keen to understand how this successful project works.

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# Funds raised for Macmillan



ORGANISATIONS across Essex and east London held coffee mornings last week and raised tens of thousands of pounds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Dovers Farm Estate Green group raised more

than £670 on Monday, September 24, with one fundraiser getting her hair cut.

The Yellow Advertiser's event raised £150 from staff and customers. Staff baked cakes while others "faked" and bought cakes.

FOR THE CHOP: Sean Phiri, left, cuts the hair of Megan Johnson (also opposite page with Dovers Farm Estate Green group) to raise money

**FUNDRAISERS:** Zoe Braddick, right, and Sarah Pinkerton at Pinkerballs Stoves Rainham





CAKE: Teachers and staff from Bournes Green infant school Thorpe Bay staff hold a McMillian coffee afternoon.



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JOINING IN: The Dovers Farm Estate Green group, above, left, and right, residents of Chevington Way, Hornchurch, who raised £350 from the home of event organiser Madeline Livermore.

Below, Yellow Advertiser staff with coffee and cakes



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L-R: Ava Gregory, play assistant, Charlie Howard and Tyrelle Donovan, aged 7 months, Pariss Howard and Tommy Howard, aged 9 months, Lisa Kawa-Akenbo, play specialist, Josh Gillies, aged 11, Riya Roy, aged 9, and Emma Fox, play assistant.

between September 26 and 30

and organised by the National Association of Health Play

specialist from Neptune Ward, said: "Play is a vital part of the

STAFF and patients on Southend's children's wards dressed up as pirates as part of National Play in Hospital Week.

Also among the activities on Neptune Ward during the week was a hairdresser doing princess hair, a teddy bear clinic and a colouring competition. The aim of the week,

spital Week. Specialists, was to raise awareness of the benefits of play in ness of the benefits of play in the treatment of poorly children across the UK. Lisa Kawa-Akenbo, a play care we offer to children and young people at hospital. "National Play in Hospital Week is a brilliant chance for us to raise awareness of the importance of play for children in hospital and showcase the positive impact that play and distraction can have on a young patient's hospital experience."

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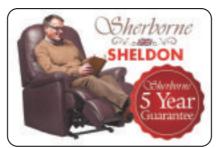




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It may have been the site of the 11th century Horndon mint based on the survival of a single Anglo-Saxon penny from the village.

In the late 15th century, the lord of the manors of Arden Hall and Horndon House was Sir Edmund Shaa. Shaa was a supporter of Richard III and was knighted by him.

These manors remained in

These manors remained in the Shaa family for several generations before passing to the Pooley family.

A wool market was established in the village in the early 16th century; the building later became a shelter for the poor people of the area. The Church of St Peter and

The Church of St Peter and St Paul dates from the 13th century and is Grade I listed.

On the south wall is a memorial to Thomas Higbed, who was burned at the stake in Horndon in 1555 and is included in Foxe's Book of Martyrs.

Phillip Vincent, inventor of the Vincent motorbike was born and is buried in the village. The Vincent HRD was



one of the fastest road bikes manufactured through the 1930-1950 period in Britain.

A Thurrock Museum green heritage plaque is on display in the village commemorating this fact.

The village is said to be haunted. Ghostly figures have been reported walking through pathways at night and some locals have reported seeing a ghostly shadow of a woman by the footbridge at South

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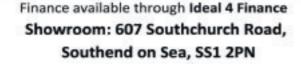
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Man jailed after police find 170 'wraps' of crack and heroin

# Crack dealer off the street guilty to two counts of being



**JAILED: Daniel Freeman** 

DRUG dealer from Southend, who was found carrying more than 170 wraps of crack cocaine and heroin, has been jailed for more than two vears

Daniel Freeman, 25, Central Avenue, was sentenced at Basildon Crown Court on September 23 after pleading

concerned in supplying class A drugs. Officers from Operation Raptor, a team set up to detect and disrupt drug dealing gangs, stopped the Renault Megane car in which Freeman was travelling in Stanley Southend on April 21. Road,

He was found to be carrying a small plastic bag containing a number of drug wraps in a pocket on his jumper.

A bag containing further wraps, a number of mobile phones and a three-figure sum of cash were also found in the vehicle

Freeman was arrested and later charged with possession with intent to supply heroin and possession with intent to supply crack cocaine.

He admitted charges of being concerned in supplying heroin and being concerned in supplying crack cocaine at court and was sentenced to 28 months' imprisonment for each to run concurrently.

Freeman was ordered to pay a victim surcharge of £170 and orders made for the drugs to be

'A drug dealer has been taken off the streets.

destroyed and cash seized under the Misuse of Drugs Act.

An Essex Police spokesman said that Operation Raptor teams have been created in the north, south and west local policing areas to bring to justice gangs who travel to Essex to deal drugs

Sgt Ashley Holland, from the Operation Raptor team in the south, said: "A drug dealer has now been taken off the streets of Southend and is starting a sentence behind bars.

"Much of our work is intelligence led so we would encourage anyone with information about gang activity or drug dealing where they live to call us on 101.
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Cllr Lumley said: "I feel very privileged to be able to thank Mr Figg for his 10 years' service. He has put a lot of effort into the health walks and thoroughly deserves to have that dedication recognised.



"Without the generosity of volunteers such as Mr Figg, the council would not be able to offer such valued activities.

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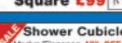


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# Westcliff student on TV quiz show

A WESTCLIFF student is set to be part of the first team from University of East London to appear on BBC show University Challenge.

Master's of Research student Kelly Travers is one of the quartet who will take on a team from the University of Glasgow in the final first-round match of the series, hosted by Jeremy Paxman.

Kelly said: "We're the first UEL team to quali-

fy, and we're very proud of that.
"I'm a business subject librarian at UEL but also a part-time student in the evening - hence my eligibility for University Challenge

"I've worked for UEL since 2003 and it's really nice to do something positive for the university. I want to see UEL reflected well in the media."

UEL was one of 28 teams selected for the 2016-17 series out of 130 universities who applied, and was the only post-1992 university to make it through.

They were chosen after an audition at London's South Bank Studios, which included a 40-ques-

tion general knowledge test and a team interview.

To see how they get on, the programme airs on October 10 on BBC2.



# Man smashes car window with hammer

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a vehicle window was smashed with a hammer in Shoebury.

Officers were called to Towerfield Road at just before 7pm on Tuesday, September 20.

A man in his 50s told police he had been sitting in his vehicle when another man had got out of his car, a grey Volkswagen Transporter Caravelle, approached his vehicle and shouted abuse at him.

The victim reported that the man then smashed his driver side window with a hammer.

The man is described as white, aged between 40 and 50, less than 6ft tall, of medium build, and wearing a brown top and khaki shorts.

Anyone with information is asked to contact PC Ian Laithwaite at Southend Police Station on 101. People can also give information to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 via an anonymous online form at www.crimestoppers-uk.org



**WANTED: Craig Hughes** 

#### Search is on for court no-show

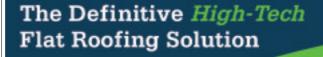
POLICE are appealing for information to find a man wanted in connection with a burglary in Southend and for failing to appear at court.

Craig Hughes, 25, also uses the names Jak Buckmaster, Craig Harrison, Robert Harrison, Greg Hughes and Ryan Johnson.

He is originally from Loughton and has links to south Essex and north east London. He is white, 5ft 8in, of medium build with short brown hair.

On Wednesday, April 13, a man attempted to break into a home in Gayton Road, Southend, but fled when he was disturbed by the occupant.

Anyone with any information about Hughes' whereabouts is asked to contact police on 101 or *Crimestoppers* anonymously on 0800 555 111.

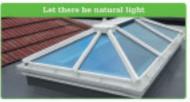






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# DentistryForYou is 30!

THIS year marks the 30th year of DentistryForYou providing an NHS service to the community.

To celebrate this landmark occasion. DentistryForYou held a 30th anniversary fun day for staff and patients in August at St Michael's and Angels Church All Thundersley. The day included speeches from esteemed guests such as the mayor of Castle Point, Cllr Steven Cole and local MP, Sir David Amess.

A variety of oral health promotion games and goody bags were set up to reinforce the importance of oral hygiene within a friendly and fun setting.

There was also a sumptuous barbeque lunch provided, followed by a competitive line up of organised sports games.

The presence of an experienced team of friendly members of the dental profession gave the public the opportunity to learn more about the importance of oral hygiene and regular visits to the dentist.

The principal of DentistryForYou, Dr

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Esmail Harunani, said: "We're so proud to have served our local communities with the provision of NHS dental services for the past 30 years. We always emphasise the importance of regular dental check-ups—it's key to have a professional check what is going on in your mouth for any change.

"We are always welcoming new patients to be registered on the NHS and hope to do so for the next 30 years."

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DentistryForYou's dentists, as well as private dental treatment. This allows patients who have already been seen on the NHS the opportunity to supplement their treatment privately, for example cosmetic treatment, which may not be available through the health service.

Some patients are also eligible for free NHS treatment, and children under 18 can receive expert care for free as well.

For more information about the services that

are provided by DentistryForYou, which has branches at 286-288 Leigh Road, Leigh-on-Sea, and at 45 Southend Road, Hockley, visit the website www.dentistryforyou.co.uk.

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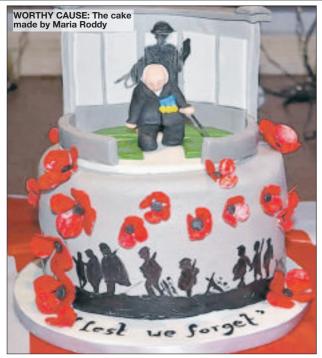


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# Legion launches Poppy Appeal

THE Canvey branch of the Royal British Legion has launched this year's Poppy Appeal.

It was started at a 1940s, '50s, '60s and '70s-themed event on Sunday, where a raffle raised £486.

The event was attended by Mayor of Castle Point, Cllr Steven Cole and Mayor of Canvey Island, Cllr Martin Tucker. A cake, handmade by Canvey resident Maria Roddy, was auctioned and raised a further £50.

# Autumn colours and wilder food

IF you are not sure what to do this weekend, here are some events to

Autumn Colour at Green Island Gardens, Ardleigh: In October and November, this 20-acre site is filled with trees and shrubs that are not normally found in woods.

These plants erupt into a variety of colours and you can enjoy them on Sundays, as well as from Tuesdays to Fridays, until November 30, from 10am to 5pm. A tearoom serves food and drink and there is a treehouse for children. Entrance to the gardens, which have disabled access, is in Green Island Park Road. Entry is £6 for adults and £2 for children.

www.greenislandgardens.co.uk

■ Blackwater Wildfood Festival, Great Wigborough: From 11.30 am to 6.30 pm on Saturday, October 8, the Blackwater Wildlife Festival is at Abbotts Hall Farm, in Maldon Road. It includes live music, sausage making, smoking and preserving, and bread making with the East Essex Smallholders Group, who will also sell local produce.

There is local beer and cider, wild meat stews, bushcraft, wildfood walks, tractor rides and information on bee keeping. Suggested entrance donation is £5 with free entry for under-11s. www.essexwt.org.uk

Barleylands Farmers' Market, Billericay: Head to Barleylands Farm, in Barleylands Road, between 8.30am and 12.30pm on Saturday, October 8, for food and handmade treats.

The market has free entry and free parking, and can be found via the walkway from the main car park to the Craft Village.

www.barleylands.co.uk/the-vill a g e / farmers-market.

■ Discovery Centre Stargazing at Great Notley Country Park, Braintree: Observe planets, constellations and deep-sky objects through telescopes, with North Essex Astronomy Group on Saturday, October 8, from 7pm to 10pm.

Everyone is welcome at the free event and there is no need to book, but keep an eye on the weather. If it is cloudy, you may not get to see anything and if it is raining, the event may be cancelled.

www.visitparks.co.uk/events.

■ Model Transport Exhibition at Museum of Power, Langford: Enjoy the world of miniature on

Sunday, October 9, at the museum at the Steam Pumping Station in Hatfield Road, Lanford, near Maldon. The event, which opens at 10am, has model railway layouts, model boats and much more.

See the giant pumping engine in steam, enjoy miniature steam train rides for £1, view sculptures in the grounds on the Maldon Art Trail, and visit the model village, museum and tearoom.

Entrance is £5 for adults, £4 for seniors and £2 for children aged five to 15.

www.museumofpower.org.uk

■ Colne Valley at War at Colne Valley Railway, Castle Hedingham: Step back into the 1940s at Colne Valley Railway on Sunday, October 9, from 10.30am to 5pm, where passenger trains will run throughout the day.

There will be demonstration bomb trains, period vehicles, 1940s music, historical displays, charity and trade stands, as well as a short service of remembrance.

The Colne Valley Railway played a

The Colne Valley Railway played a major part in the war effort as it served many Essex airfields. The day, which has last entries at 3.30pm, also features evacuation trains and staff in period costume.

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#### Don't neglect little jewel in the crown of our parks I CAN'T remember the last

time I visited Southchurch Hall Park so, finding myself in that area a couple of days ago, I thought I would have a walk around it.

Yes it is still the pretty little park I remember...but don't look too closely.

The first thing I noticed was the waste bins overflowing with rubbish onto the paths.

In close proximity were a couple of dead rats on the grass. And, oh dear, how the poor old hall itself is being allowed to deteriorate

Presumably this is a listed building and I assume the council has a duty to take bet-

ter care of it than this.

To complete the picture of decay and neglect, the lakes are covered in green algae through which when I was there, a sad looking coot was desperately trying to navigate a passage to the bank. Now we realise these are

cash-strapped times for all councils, but surely they need to take better care of this little iewel in the crown of our parks before it deteriorates beyond

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#### Time to give the Labour **Party leader** a break

I AM not sure what Cllr Gavin Callaghan and other somewhat higher profile Labour politicians and ex-politicians want exactly from Jeremy Corbyn, but the constant refrain of "Labour is not electable" can only result in those seeing that Labour will not be electable.

Come on all of you, give the guy and the Labour Party a break and get behind him as the leader of the Labour Party.

Brian Wilson Benfleet

# Country park goats linked to 'extinct' medieval breed

that scientists thought was extinct has been discovered in Brentwood's

Country Park.
DNA tests have confirmed that the Cheviot goats' lineage dates back more than 1,000 years to the Old English Goat, previously thought lost.

Essex County councillor Simon Walsh, cabinet member for environment, said: "We're not kidding – DNA tests have proved that these goats date back

to before 1066.
"We're delighted to have a piece of history right here in our coun-

The herd at Thorndon Country Park may be the largest in the country. Experts estimate the total UK Cheviot population is as few as 500 to 1,000 goats.

The goats were originally brought to Essex from Northumberland to control Thorndon Park's woody vege-

Native English goat herds

were a common sight in Old English Goat, the remains Britain until Queen Victoria of which have been recovered came to the throne. They were

**NO KIDDING!: A Cheviot goat** 

by foreign imports and inten-

sive dairy goat farming. Scientists claim the Cheviot

is an identical match to the

whose lineage can be traced to the Old English Goat

from several medieval archaeological sites in Essex and London.

The goats in Thorndon
Country Park are used alongside red poll cattle to graze
species-rich grassland.
Cllr Walsh added: "They

are highly effective at chomping their way through tough bramble. "It's obviously some-

thing we're happy to bleat about."
The herd have been

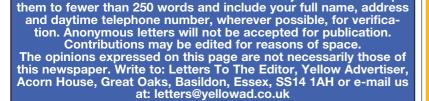
placed in the care of the Essex Grazing Project.

The team now plans to breed the animals and introduce them to other Essex sites for conservation grazing.

There has already been from Basildon Council, with 10 goats recently introduced into Wat Tyler Country Park.

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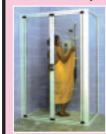
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TEP back into the 1980s with the help of Shakin' Stevens and Adam Ant, who will be heading to Essex next year.

Shaky has announced his biggest ever UK tour, which will him visiting 33 towns and cities across England, Scotland and Wales in 2017.

He made the announcement days after he released his critically acclaimed 12th studio album - Echoes Of Our Times.

Shaky will perform classic hits, as well as new tracks from the album, and throw in a few surprises during his shows.

The UK's biggest-selling singles artist of the 1980s will hit the road from Easter with an opening night in Carlisle on April 15, before trav-elling the length and breadth of the country to perform at venues such as London's Shepherd's Bush Empire.

The tour, which runs until the end of May, includes a performance at Southend's Cliffs

and four UK number one hits to his name, said: "I can't wait to get back on the road, and introduce the songs from Echoes Of

Our Times to people who have seen me perform in the past, and those have not.' The tour

will see the Welsh platinum-selling performer unveil another side to his talents, as artist, songwrite and story-

Of Times blends blues, roots.

Detailing stories from his

promoters, Cuffe and Taylor. The company's director, Peter Taylor, added: "We are thrilled to

be presenting Shakin' Stevens's biggest ever UK tour. This promises to be a fantas-

tic 33 nights of entertainme e n t across the UK and we look forward to welcoming abundance of both fans old new '

Next year, Adam Ant will also be embarking on a tour, which also includes a performance at the

Antmania swept the nation in the '80s, with Stand and Deliver hitting the number one spot in May

1981 and staying there for five weeks, becoming his most suc-cessful single and winning him the prestigious Ivor Novello Award for songwriting.

On its release, the follow-up single and album, Prince Charming, went straight to number one and a further 12 singles went into the

At one point Adam had eight singles in the top 40 - all in one

His Anthems: The Singles Tour takes place throughout May with appearances at selected nationwide venues before coming to the Cliffs Pavilion on Thursday, May

It follows his successful Kings of the Wild Frontier tour earlier this vear, which saw Adam play his classic album, Kings of the Wild

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Frontier, to more than 30,000 fans in sold out venues across the UK.

The album, released in 1980, became a worldwide hit, spending 12 weeks at number one and winning the Brit Award for Best British

The singles, Kings of the Wild Frontier and Antmusic both hit number two in the UK chart and Dog Eat Dog reached number

Next year's tour will showcase Adam's impressive back catalogue including hit singles, Bsides and personal favourites

For further information and tickets to see Shakin' Stevens on Tuesday, April 18, and Adam Ant on Thursday, May 25, 2017, at the Cliffs Pavilion, call the box office on 01702 351135 or visit southendtheatres.org.uk.







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UBLISHED last year, Zimbabwean-born author Paula Hawkins's novel The Girl On The Train has become a literary sensation, selling in excess of 11million copies worldwide.

As with Gone Girl, another taut thriller with a gasp-out-loud narrative twist, Hollywood came a-knocking.

Tate Taylor, director of the Oscarwinning civil rights drama The Help, was duly hired to shunt the book's setting from London to New York for this glossy film adaptation.

Erin Cressida Wilson's assured script retains a similar structure to the book, exploring tangled themes of motherhood, revenge and betrayal through the eyes of three women, who are unwittingly trapped in cycles of violence.

trapped in cycles of violence.
Using on-screen title cards to chart the fractured chronology, the film shifts perspectives between these flawed yet resourceful protagonists, while attempting to pull the wool over our eyes.

It's an entertaining though not exactly pulse-quickening ride.
All aboard...

Rachel Watson (Emily Blunt) has self-imploded following an acrimonious divorce from her cheating husband, Tom (Justin Theroux). When she wakes from her

When she wakes from her drunken stupors, Rachel has alarming gaps in her memory and, on one occasion, she is covered in



bruises and blood.

As a result of her intoxication, Rachel loses her job at a PR firm, which she conceals from her roommate Cathy (Laura Prepon) by taking her usual train each morning and sitting in the park with a bottle of spirits.

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The journey takes her past her old house where Tom is now happily settled with his mistress Anna (Rebecca Ferguson) and their babv.

The tracks also pass by the resi-

dence of neighbours Scott (Luke Evans) and Megan Hipwell (Haley Bennett), and Rachel fantasises about the couple's seemingly perfect relationship.

One morning, Rachel stares bleary-eyed out of the train window and glimpses Megan in a clinch with another man.

Megan subsequently vanishes and Detective Sergeant Riley (Allison Janney) becomes interested in Rachel's hazy recollection, especially since the drunkard has no alibi for the hours leading up to Megan's disappearance.

Perhaps psychiatrist Dr Kamal Abdic (Edgar Ramirez) can help Rachel to unlock her subconscious.

She will soon realise that some memories are best forgotten.

memories are best forgotten.

The Girl On The Train is a smart psychological potboiler anchored by a strong performance from Blunt as a self-destructive woman, who is figuratively going off the rails in her darkest hour.

Unreliable narrators are far more tantalizing on the page than the big screen, and there are a couple of pivotal moments in Taylor's film, which tip the wink too early to characters' dark ulterior motives and personal ties.

Nevertheless, the picture chugs briskly down various dramatic sidings before arriving at a messy final reckoning that satisfies rather than surprises.

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#### Saturday, October 8

■ Art Exhibition – Belle Vue Baptist Church Hall, Belle Vue Avenue, Southend, in aid of The Alzheimer's Society. 10am-

12.30pm. Free entry.
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■ Games Club – St Clement's Church, The Broadway, Leigh-on-Sea. Scrabble, chess, rummikub, backgammon and lots more. 2pm-4pm. Tel 07884 148148.

■ Ron Spack's Jazztet – Kenny Baxter saxophone, Mike Sagrott, guitar, Oakwood, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood. 8.30pm. 01702 512819.

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Coffee Morning and sale of goods – Christ Church, Wickford, 9am to noon.

Club 50+ – 1B Queens Road, Southend, 9.30am-3.30pm, daily, £2 day pass, details 01702 346863

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Sunshine Coffee Morning – for parents in Craylands and Felmores area. Briscoe Community Centre, 9-11am, free workshop, coffee and creche. Call Dawn 07880 035968, or just turn up.

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■ Leigh Scrabble Club – 7-10pm. All standards. Wesley Hall, Leigh Broadway.

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■ George Hurd Centre, Basildon, for the over-50s. Craft: 10am to noon, tai chi: whist 9.45am-12.30pm, 10am to noon, art: 12.30-2.30pm, choir: 23.0-4pm, indoor bowls: 2-4pm. £2, 01268 465854.

■ Senior Citizens Club – Richmond Hall, Partifect 1, 20.3.20pm

■ Senior Citizens Club – Richmond Hall, Benfleet, 1.30-3.30pm.
■ Counselling Service – The Olive Tree Centre, 9am-9pm, call anytime and we will get back to you, 01702 524346, enquiries@clivetreeontre.org.uk.
■ Over-50s Keep-fit Classes – Fryens Community Centre, Pat 01268 770294.
■ Over-50s session – Megacentre Rayleigh, 7 Brook Road. Badminton and table tennis 2-4pm. £4 inc equipment. 01268 773100.
■ Activity Session for adults with special needs – 10am to noon. The Megacentre, Rayleigh, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, 21 per

needs - Iuam to noon. Ine Megacentre, Rayleigh, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, £1 per session, no charge for carers. ■ Duplicate Bridge – Balmoral Bridge Club, Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh (opp Thames Drive), 1.15pm-4.30pm, call Vernon 01702 343611 or Tony 01702 520993.

■ Duplicate Bridge – Thorpe Bay Bridge Club, 62 Southchurch Boulevard, Southend, all standards, 2-4.45pm (no partner needed), 7.30-10.30pm, call Danny

07843 771774.
■ Weekly Craft Workshop – St Peter's Church Hall, Thundersley, Benfleet, 6-8pm, details Michelle 07730 582784.
■ Basildon Players Amateur Dramatic

Basilioti Figher Shiriateu Drahlatu Group – 8-10pm, James Hornsby High School, Leinster Road, Laindon, details Jeff 07913 426371, join@basildonplayers.co.uk. Zumba – Pitsea Day Centre Over-50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, 9.15-10am.

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■ Short Mat Bowls Club in Hadleigh – welcomes new members, Canvey Short Mat Bowls Club, call Kevin 01268 792433.
■ Short Mat Bowls in Thundersley, beginners welcome, details 01268 779174.
■ Indoor Short Mat Bowls – Prittlewell Bowls Club Pring Park Soul throad Res 01268 777666

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Senior Citizens Club – Ghyllgrove Centre, Butneys, 1.30-3.30pm, 01268 293995.

Pensioners stall – York Road Outdoor Market, Southend, 8am-2pm.

Evening of clairovyance – 57 Point Road, Carvey, SS8 7TT. 3pm, £3 all profits to charity Tei: 07922 001433 or 01268 691922.

Development Healing Circle – Face Salon, Burdett Avenue, Westcliff, an understanding of spiritual healing and prayer, 8-9.30pm, 07879 004744.

If Inness Walking – from Leigh Tennis Club, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh-on-Sea, 7.15-8.15pm, 01702 715509.

Scrabble Club – Wesley Church Hall, Elm Road, Leigh Broadway, (opp police station), beginners welcome, no partner needed, 7-10pm, £3, call 01268 727915.

Hadleigh Castle Townswomen's Guild – Applaince Hall, Old Fire Station, High Street, SS7 2PA, 1.30-3.30pm. Visitors £2.50.

If help sessions – Billericay Library, 10.30am to noon. Details 01277 624624.

#### Tuesday, October 11

■ Westcliff Civil Service Retirement Fellowship – Entertainment, day trips, refreshments, raffles – Shoeburyness and

refreshments, raffles – Shoeburyness and Thorpe Bay Salvation Army Hall, Frobisher Way, First Tuesday of month, 2-4pm. All welcome, Frances 01702 342426.

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■ Social Dance Class – Instruction, in ballroom, Latin American and sequence, 8.30-10.30pm, Ashingdon and East Hawkwell Memorial Hall. 01702 546219 /542349.

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Weekly Craft Group – Oasis Coffee House, 189 Leigh Road, Leigh. 2.30-4pm. No charge. Emma 01702 471873.

Social Dance – 1.45pm, St Cedd's Church, Bridgewater Drive, Westcliff. Ballroom, sequence, Latin, 01702 618771.

Scrabble Club – Hockley Social Centre (rear of library), 6.30-10pm, first two visits free, 01702 205910.

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■ Evening of clairvoyance – St Cecilia's Christian Spiritualist Church, 9 Lord Roberts Ave, Leigh on Sea, 7.15pm, £2.50.

■ Folk Music – The Hoy at Anchor Folk Club, Royal British Legion, 7/9 Northview Drive, Westcliff, 8pm. 01702 715111.

■ Willows Park Short Mat Bowls Club requires ew or experienced clavers – James Homshv.

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■ Tea Dance – Ashingdon Memorial Hall, Ashingdon Road, Rochford, ballroom, Latin and sequence, 2-4pm. 01702 584575.

■ Ladies Fellowship – Salvation Army Hadleigh, 7.30pm, 50p or annual subscription, turn up or call 017002 551470.

■ The Puffer's Club, Exercise Class for people with breathing difficulties, Ambleside Sports and Social Club, Ambleside Drive, Southend, 12.45-2.30pm, 01702 610050/466827.

■ Pathfinders Blind and Partially Sighted Group – Fryerns Bapitist Church, Whitmore Way, 9.30am-2pm.

■ George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over-50s, yoga: 10-11am, sit down yoga: 11.10-12.10, keep fit: noon to 1pm, line dancing: 1.20-2.20pm, chess: 1.30-3.30pm, craft: 1.30-3.30pm, 01268 465854.

■ Singles Social Group – The Mews, Nelson Mews off Clarence Road car park, Southend, age 50-plus, 8pm. 07970 432994.

■ Singles Friendship Club for 50-plus – South Benfleet Social Club, 8.15pm, details Maureen 01268 692998.

■ New and nearly new stall – outside St Martin's Church, Town Centre, Basildon, (if wet in church froyer), 10am to noon.

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■ Bingo and Hoy – Wick Community

Centre, Wickford, 1.30-4pm, details John Clarke 01268 570575.
■ Top Cats Social Club, (Southend Mencap) – Castle View School, Meppel Avenue, Carney, 7-9.45pm, for adults with learning disabilities age 25-plus, £2 per session, details 01702 341250.
■ Tuesday Luncheon Club – Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, Avenue Baptist Church Hall, Milton Road, Westcliff, for people living alone or with their carers, details

people living alone or with their carers, details 01702 478691/525141/340617.

Uttle Lunchers Activity Club – St Michael's Church, Rayleigh, 11.45am-1.15pm.

■ Vange Tots – Vange Community Centre, Vange Hill Drive, Vange, 9.30-11.30am, admission £1, snack and drinks provided for all. 01268 498642.

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Shoebury Flagship – Rainbow Children's Centre, Friars School, Constable Way, Shoeburyness, 1.30-3.30pm, health visiting team with advice and support for parents with babies and children up to five years old. 01702 577656.

#### Wednesday, October 12

Wickford Wildlife Society – Our Lady of Good Counsel Church Hall, 61 London Road, Wickford, SS12 0AW. Talk by

Graham Meer on garden birds. 8-10pm, £2 non-members, £1 members. Al-Anon meeting – Worried about some-one else's drinking? A fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics share their experience in order to solve common problems.
7.30-9pm, All Saints Church, 1 Sutton

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□ Over-50s session – Megacentre Rayleigh, 7 Brook Road. Badminton and short mat bowls 2-4pm. £4 inc equipment. 01268 773100.

■ Hatha Yoga Class – Leigh Community Centre, Leigh, 9.30-11am. 01702 552260.

■ Sculpture, Stone Carving & Lettering – Traditional tools and professional tuition. 8-10pm, Studio Workshop, West Road, Shoeburyness. Jim Davis 01702 292867.

■ Line dancing lessons – 12.30-2.30pm, St Margaret's Church Hall, Lime Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, SS9 3PA. 07948 108195.

■ Duplicate Bridge, Highlands Methodist

Duplicate Bridge, Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh, small friendly club, 7.30pm, details Hilary 01702 712501.

■ Parent and Toddler Messy Play Group,

Buttercup Club, Leigh Community Centre, Elm Road, Leigh, 9.30am and 11am, 01702

Roche Art Group – St Teresa's Church Hall, located behind the church, 109 Ashingdon Road, Rochford, 7.30-9.30pm, visitors welcome, details Gill 01702

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12. Country (4)

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18. Staff (4) 22. Lift (5)

23. Sideways (7)

24. Hue (6) 25. Cave (6)

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 Jeer (7) 2. Order (7)

3. Genuflect (5) 4. Glutinous (7)

5. Seat (5) 6. Stop (5)

9. Oblong (9) 14. Sadly pensive (7)

15. Messenger (7) 16. Roof (7)

19. Trauma (5)

20. Meadow (5) 21. Cut of beef (5)

#### Last week's solutions Across; 1 Opers; 4 Milksop; 8 Teacher; 9 Nadir; 10 Fate; 20 Hardir; 14 Milksop; 8 Teacher; 9 Nadir; 10 Fate; 20 11 Newsreel; 13 Flop; 14 Tart; 16 Consoles; 17 Alto; 20 Down; 1 Out of practice; 2 Exact; 3 Ache; 4 Murder; 5 Lineaman; 6 Saddest; 7 Parallelogram; 12 Concrete; 13 Forbest; 15 Permit; 18 Lathe; 19 Gnat. Across, 1 Remit, 4 Debacle; 8 Nervous; 9 Trait; 10 Ugly; 20 11 Catacomb; 13 Glib; 14 Peir; 16 Sluggish; 17 Etch; 20 Extol; 21 Releve; 22 Mineral; 23 Guest, Down; 1 Run out of steam; 2 Moral; 3 Tool; 4 Dismay; 5 Betayal; 6 Clamour; 7 Establishment; 12 Singular; 13 Glutton; 15 Astrai; 18 Theme; 19 Flag. CRYPTIC SOLUTIONS

#### CRYPTIC CLUES **ACROSS**

On the surface, there's nothing in a piece of stage scenery (6) 8. See 9 Down

10. Interim arrangement for rail heads

11. In communication a message ncludes the titles (5)

12. Turns and departs (4)

13. Made fun of the conductor, by the sound of it (5) 17. Trunks that hold water, we hear (5)

In court a substitute for nothing (4) 22. Short extract from the Easter

services (5) 23. Mysterious utterances that could become so clear (7)

24. Textbook used by the organist (6) 25. The running track sounds rough (6)

Freight charge - take trouble about

2. Nearly everybody carrying weapons is scared (7)

3. Little room for the vehicle at home 4. Absorbing examples of marine life

(7) 5. In the main, they're used as steering

6. One will leave the carriage in pursuit

9 & 8 Across. Metaphorically speaking,

statistics provided by the orator (7, 2, 14. One farm overseer redeployed (7) 15. They bawl when schoolboys make

16. Female in the forefront is not

allowed freedom of movement (7) 19. Kind of collection to impress (5) 20. Hoist a kind of winger (5) 21. Stick to a veto all round (5)

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### A STUNNING FAMILY HOME CLOSE TO **THUNDERSLEY GLEN £825.000**

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### **LEIGH-ON-SEA £269,995**

A three bedroom semi detached family house in a very convenient location, ideally placed for local schools including the High Schools. A quick sale is possible and early viewing is advised. Accommodation comprises, a very spacious 22'7 x 13'8 lounge/ diner, fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom and separate w.c. Large rear garden and off street parking for two cars. Ref etl5481



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### Renault's new French revolution

#### **By Chris Russon**

ANY talk of Renault ditching diesel in the future can be taken with a pinch of salt as the French car maker launches its first hybrid in the shape of the fourth generation Scenic MPV.

Scenic MPV.
And the engine it has chosen to hook up to an electric motor for ultra fuel economy is none other than its 1.5-litre diesel tuned to slash emissions to 92g/km.

That's more than 80 to the gallon on paper and in everyday conditions it is good for 60mpg as we have just discovered.

The hybrid is one of five power options Renault will offer on the all-new Scenic which is set to reclaim its throne as king of the compact MPVs – a sector it created when the Megane Scenic first arrived 20 years ago.

In a nod to the current crossover craze Renault has given the new Scenic some SUV traits such as an elevated driving position and purposeful looks.

The new Scenic – and the longer Grand Scenic – sit on 20-inch alloys as standard, a first for MPVs.

The instrument panel uses high-tech graphics and in front of the drive – no longer in the middle of the facia as on previous generations. A head up display is standard on higher grade trims and sat nav is fitted on all but the basic model.

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mum of 572 litres or 720 litres depending on the position of the sliding rear seats.

There is even more room in the Grand Scenic with rearmost pair of its seven seats folded and with a quick release function operated from a button in the boot or from the touchscreen in the front all the back seats can drop flat in an instant. It's all practical, very comfortable, can be set up with a variety of ambient light displays and all-in-all the new Scenic is an ideal family car. Power points are available for all occupants, Bluetooth is standard and the onboard software is intuitive to use. From

next year connectivity will include Apple CarPlay and Android Auto but that will be missing from the first batch of models due to arrive in December.

Performance data for both the regular Scenic and the Grand Scenic is nigh on identical and for an MPV with big wheels the ride and refinement is first class.

We tried the new Scenic with a variety of engines including the diesel hybrid and a 130bhp 1.2-litre turbo petrol in the five seater plus a high powered 160bhp 1.6-litre diesel in the Grand version.

All three work well but the hybrid is par-

ticularly impressive.

Renault claims an official fuel return of 80.7mpg and the hybrid system is a clever set-up that is permanently engaged to ease the workload on the engine.

It is mated to a six-speed manual gear-box, drives in an utterly conventional manner and delivers great economy – some 10 percent more efficient than the non-hybrid 1.5-litre diesel. There is no impact on interior space with the batteries under the rear seats and the only visible difference is extra gubbins under the bonnet to accommodate the equipment associated with the 10kW electric motor. It does not have to be charged either as it is not a plug-in but a conventional hybrid powertrain which Renault will roll out onto other models with the new Megane next.

Fuel consumption on all the versions we sampled was good with the Grand Scenic – which was an automatic – returning an average of 52.3mpg against an official figure of 62.7 (emissions are 118g/km) and the petrol coming in at 38.2mpg compared to test results of 48.7mpg (129g/km).

Prices have still to be confirmed but with a new entry level trim in the line-up the Scenic range will be cheaper than before at around £19,500 for the five-seater and topping out in the region of £25,000.

The Grand Scenic is £1,400 more expensive and the hybrid models, on stream in the new year, add £1,000 to the price.



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#### **Football**

**Southend United 1** Peterborough United 1 Brian Jeeves reporting from Roots Hall Stadium

A STOPPAGE time goal from Marcus Maddison denied Southend all three Sky Bet League One points, this after Anthony Wordsworth's second goal inside a week had given Blues an advantage late into the second half.

Following Tuesday's 2-1 victory over Oxford United there was an air of buoyancy around Roots

Boss Phil Brown stuck with the same starting 11 that had seen off the U's. Indeed, his charges were looking for a fourth successive home victory in all competitions.

Posh arrived off the back of a draw at Shrewsbury Town, but without a win in five league out-

Stephen McLaughlin whistled an effort the wrong side of an upright as the Blues created the opening opportunity, while Maddison found Mark Oxley's gloves, then fired another chance over as Posh responded.

Paul Taylor was off-target after driving forward for Posh, while Wordsworth's shot on the turn was equally ineffective as the sides continued to trade blows, albeit somewhat tamely. Leonardo Da Silva tried to liven up proceedings for the visitors, but his attempt from distance did little to trouble Oxley in the Blues goal.

The offering from both sides during the opening period had

been poor. Posh keeper Luke McGee, clawed out Jermaine McGlashan's troublesome centre, then Ryan Leonard volleyed over as the home side tried to lift the tempo, as well as the flagging crowds interest.

Shortly before the break McLaughlin's looping header bounced on the top of the crossbar after McGlashan picked him out from the right flank. And the trend continued at the other end as Maddison hit the face of the bar after racing onto Taylor's pass.

Blues continued to press after the break. Jason Demetriou tested McGee after Ben Coker's cross had only been half-cleared, while Leonard's thundering effort was blocked by Michael Bostwick.

At the other end, Taylor was offtarget as the visitors searched for an opening of their own.

But just after the hour mark,

Blues were presented with a glorious opportunity to take the lead.

Coker's cross was handled by Maddison, but McGee guessed correctly to keep out Wordsworth's

Buoyed by the let-off, Gwion Edwards almost undid the Blues backline with a fizzing effort across the face of goal, while Adam Barrett produced a superb saving tackle to deny the marauding Maddison

Blues boss Brown introduced frontmen Simon Cox and latest recruit, Marc-Antoine Fortune, into the fray in a bid to snatch all three points, and it paid immediate dividends. Cox picked out Wordsworth, who took a touch



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before firing high into the net.

Former Colchester United man George Moncur was horribly wayward as Posh chased a late leveller, while Cox should have put the game out of sight for Blues, somehow knocking over a gaping goal after Leonard had centred.

And it proved to be costly as Maddison fired low beyond Oxley from 20 yards after turning on the proverbial sixpence.

Posh piled forward with Moncur inches away with an angled drive.

But Blues held firm to extend their unbeaten home league sequence to three.

After the game, a frustrated Brown said: "We had a couple of good chances. First half, we hit the crossbar, they hit the crossbar, it could have gone either way.

"I was convinced at half-time, I said to the players that this is a one-nil. I said whoever gets their noses in front will probably go on

to win the game.
"That should have been the case.

Having said that, if Simon Cox takes the opportunity to kill it off completely, we can all go home happy.

Brown added: "They had been causing problems because of the movement of the front four, we had a little sample of that against Oxford on Tuesday night. But in the main I thought we coped with it quite well and catered for it.

"But if you get your noses in front with 90 minutes on the clock, you've got to see it over the line.

"I'm disappointed that we didn't get the three points, but it's another point."

Blues defender Demetriou, said: "Because we had gone so far, it was like two points lost in the end.

"But we are getting some consistency now and the performances are getting better."

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### Non-league round-up

### Billericay's FA Cup dream still alive

By Brian Jeeves

BILLERICAY Town reached the fourth qualifying round of the FA Cup after a dramatic 3-2 victory over Evo-Stik League Southern Premier Division outfit Chippenham Town at New Lodge.

Greg Cundle bagged a brace and Goldy Capela another as Town hit back after trailing 2-1 with 10 minutes left. Mark Preece and David Platt were on target for the visitors in front of a bumper 482 crowd.

In the Ryman Premier Division, Etienne Mukanya Kabobola's early goal for Grays Athletic proved of little significance as hosts Kingstonian hit back to win 2-1 at the Kingsmeadow Stadium.

There were plenty of goals in Ryman League Division One North. Adam Mills (2) and Gavin Greenfield helped Maldon & Tiptree to a 3-0 success over AFC Hornchurch, while Jacob Cleaver, Elliot Pride (own goal) and Billy Johnson helped Great Wakering Rovers to a notable 3-1 triumph at Wroxham.

Aaron Condon found the net twice for Brightlingsea Regent but visitors Tilbury ran out 3-2 winners at North Road thanks to goals from Emiel Aiken, Kurt Smith (penalty) and Dwade James. Meanwhile, Aveley won their Essex derby with Brentwood Town 3-1. Arian Retkoceri, Daniel McCullock and Michael Pindy with the goals for the Mill Field side, and Andrew Freeman replying for the visitors.

An Adrian Markus penalty gave Haringey Borough an early lead at Romford, only for Chinedu McKenzie to salvage a point for Romford six minutes from time. And it was the same outcome at Capershotts, where Ronnie Winn opened the scoring for Thurrock, and Michael Spencer lev-

the scoring for Inurrock, and inficial species is elled late on for Waltham Abbey.

But it wasn't such good news for Bowers & Pitsea, who crashed 3-0 at Bury Town thanks to goals from Sam Reed, Ollie Canfer and Tom Debenham. Heybridge Swifts went down by the same margin at Dereham Town, Joe Gatting (2) and Ryan Crisp doing the damage for the home side.

In the National League, leaders Dagenham & Redbridge were held to a goalless draw by 10-man Tranmere Rovers at Victoria Road. Michael Ihiekwe saw red for the visitors with more than 30 minutes remaining. Meanwhile, Braintree Town went down 3-0 to Lincoln City at Sincil Bank. Nathan Arnold, Luke Waterfall and Jack Muldoon with the home side's goals.

In the Essex Senior League, Ilford surrendered their unbeaten start to the campaign, going down 3-0 to Southend Manor at Southchurch Park

Sawbridgeworth Town won a thrilling encounter with London Bari at the Old Spotted thrilling Dog by four goals to three, while Clapton were 1-0 winners on the road at Éton Manor. Redbridge hammered Tower Hamlets 5-2, and there was a 3-1 win for Stansted at Sporting Bengal United.

Leaders Barking won by a single goal at Takeley, and Basildon United were also away winners, seeing off Wadham Lodge 3-0.
Elsewhere, Haringey & Waltham edged out

Burnham Ramblers by the odd goal in three, while Hullbridge Sports' clash with Waltham Forest at Lower Road ended in an exciting 2-2 draw. Selected action from the ProKit UK Essex

Olympian League saw May & Baker EC win their Premier Division game at Manford Way 4-1, while Harold Wood Athletic were 3-2 winners over Rayleigh Town.

Jamie Merritt, Jack Main and Darren Phillips were on target for Basildon Town, who won their Division One clash at Old Chelmsfordian 3-1, and Catholic United were victorious in their derby with Old Southendian by two goals to one. Great Baddow were in fine form, winning 4-1

at Newham United. at Newham United.

In Division Two, Benfleet thrashed Rochford
Town 5-2, and Herongate Athletic pipped Old
Barkabbeyans 4-3. Sungate were 2-0 winners
over Ramsden Scotia, while Upminster triumphed over Ongar Town by the odd goal in five.

### Racer Bannister hails 'incredible' victory

### Motorsport

BASILDON racing driver Luke Bannister won Class B of the BRSCC Fiesta championship in perfect style at the weekend with two wins at Anglesey circuit.

The 27-year-old managed to secure the championship at the Welsh circuit in his debut year despite the season finale at Brands Hatch still to come in a

month's time.

He leads the Class B championship by 86 points, but with a maximum of 52 points up for grabs over the last two races at the Kent track, closest rival Kieran White cannot overtake Bannister in the

Bannister's challenge for the title got off to the perfect start after he secured pole position for the first race, which he went on to win.

To add to his success he also clocked the fastest lap meaning he secured the triple - pole, win and



CHAMP: Luke Bannister won Class B of the BRSCC Fiesta championship

fastest lap - his first of the year and a 26-point maximum.

The second race started in similar fashion with pole position, but halfway through the red flags came out because of an accident and Bannister had to compose himself

The restart over five minutes was a sprint to the finish and he went on to claim the victory as well as fastest lap for another 26-point maximum, and in turn the champi-An ecstatic Bannister said he was

on cloud nine. He said: "I really can't believe it, it's incredible.

"A year ago when I signed up to the championship my goal was to win a race, let alone the champi-

onship. "It's not something I ever thought possible in my debut year.

"It's been an amazing first season which has exceeded all reasonable expectations and will take a while to sink in. The racing's been hard but fair and it's been great to race alongside a great bunch of people.

"I'm really looking forward to Brands Hatch, which in effect is my 'home' circuit, and celebrating with family and friends.

The champion elect will be officially crowned at Brands Hatch on October 23.





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